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BSNL Satellite Phone Services
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the BSNL satellite phone service;

(b) if so, the features of satellite phone and the departments/individuals likely to get this facility in the first phase; and

(c) the time by which this service is likely to be launched in Punjab and Jharkhand along with the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has launched Satellite Phone Services with effect from 24.05.2017.
(b) The satellite phone is equipped to provide voice and SMS services. The services will be provided to Government users like Air Force, Army, State Police Departments, ONGC, NTPC, Railway etc. Besides this, all existing satellite phone subscribers having valid wireless operating license / No Objection Certificate (NOC) are to be migrated to BSNL satellite phone service.
(c) Satellite Phone Service has been launched on PAN India basis.